

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:	)	<b>Mail Stop AF</b>
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For: FILTER-BASED FORWARDING IN	)	
A NETWORK	)	

**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action, dated January 6, 2009, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light of the remarks that follow.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.